

**Neighborhood Council Funding Program
APPLICATION for Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG)**



This form is to be completed by the applicant seeking the Neighborhood Purposes Grant and submitted to the Neighborhood Council from whom the grant is being sought. All applications for grants must be reviewed and approved in a public meeting. Upon approval of the application the Neighborhood Council (NC) shall submit the application along with all required documentation to the Office of the City Clerk, NC Funding Program.

Name of NC from which you are seeking this grant: Northridge West

SECTION I - APPLICANT INFORMATION

1a) <u>EnrichLA</u> <i>Organization Name</i>	<u>27-2797687</u> <i>Federal I.D. # (EIN#)</i>	<u>CA</u> <i>State of Incorporation</i>	<u>08/13/11</u> <i>Date of 501(c)(3) Status (if applicable)</i>
1b) <u>2173 Cedarhurst Dr.</u> <i>Organization Mailing Address</i>	<u>Los Angeles</u> <i>City</i>	<u>CA</u> <i>State</i>	<u>90027</u> <i>Zip Code</i>
1c) _____ <i>Business Address (If different)</i>	_____ <i>City</i>	_____ <i>State</i>	_____ <i>Zip Code</i>
1d) PRIMARY CONTACT INFORMATION:			
<u>Tomas O'Grady</u> <i>Name</i>	<u>(323) 377-6320</u> <i>Phone</i>	<u>tomasogrady@enrichla.org</u> <i>Email</i>	
2) Type of Organization- Please select one:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Public School <i>(not to include private schools)</i> Attach Signed letter on School Letterhead		or	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) Non-Profit <i>(other than religious institutions)</i> Attach IRS Determination Letter
3) _____ <i>Name / Address of Affiliated Organization (if applicable)</i>	_____ <i>City</i>	_____ <i>State</i>	_____ <i>Zip Code</i>

SECTION II - PROJECT DESCRIPTION

4) Please describe the purpose and intent of the grant.

EnrichLA's Garden Ranger Program offers weekly, interdisciplinary garden-based lessons to thousands of students throughout Los Angeles, corresponding to both California Common Core State Standards and Next Generation Science Standards. The lessons are fun and engaging and provide participants with hands-on opportunities to learn about nutrition, science, and environmental stewardship from their school garden. In addition to teaching our garden-based curriculum, Garden Rangers also provide maintenance of the organic edible gardens throughout the academic school year and during the summer months to ensure the gardens thrive. Funding from this grant would help support our program at local schools with the purchase of materials for lessons and activities as well as supplies for organic edible garden care, like seeds and seedlings, and maintenance updates.

5) How will this grant be used to primarily support or serve a public purpose and benefit the public at-large. (Grants cannot be used as rewards or prizes for individuals)

EnrichLA's target population is all K-12 students in the Greater Los Angeles area, with priority given to Title 1 schools or schools with a higher than average percentage of socioeconomically disadvantaged students. Our Garden Ranger Program nurtures curiosity, environmental stewardship, and strong relationships with nutritious foods and organic growing practices. We believe providing opportunities for tangible success in the garden translates to the classroom and community as students build compassion, confidence, teamwork and problem solving skills, independence, responsibility, and trust. Students help harvest the foods they grow and share them with their families and community. When children develop healthy relationships with the food they grow in the garden, they are more likely to do so in other aspects of their lives and will encourage their families to support their healthy lifestyle and eating habits. EnrichLA's organic edible gardens also provide our schools and the surrounding community with open, green space where community members of all ages are routinely invited to participate in garden events and workdays. These events provide community members with a fun, active, fulfilling day spent enriching their own neighborhood.

